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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re application of: Daniel E. Resasco, Boonyarch Kitiyanan, Jeffrey H. Harwell and Walter Alvarez**

**Application No.: 09/988,847 Art Unit: 1754**

**Filed: 11/19/2001 Examiner: S. Hendrickson**

**For: METALLIC CATALYTIC PARTICLE Confirmation No.: 9377  
FOR PRODUCING SINGLE-WALLED  
CARBON NANOTUBES**

**Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's office action dated March 18, 2003, Paper No. 5, and pursuant to the requirement to elect one species of support material from renumbered claim 4 for further prosecution, applicants hereby elect silica as the support material.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.